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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170 and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

The TracFone is one of the best inventions I have had the pleasure of using and feeling as though every penny spent on the minutes is well worth it. While driving, you see motorists using their phones much like they would a home phone (not recommended); there are others who I know are using them for business purposes (not highly recommended). These people should pull over because they become reckless drivers. I use my phone for emergency reasons (kids call to confirm they got home safely from school; family call to have me pick up something from the store; I get lost and need directions; get a call to pick up someone from practice, etc.). If I have a passenger in the car, 9 times out of 10 I have him or her make the outgoing call for me or answer the incoming call. Cell phones can distract you from your driving and prevents you from watching out for other motorists. I am on a strict budget because I am a single parent with two young kids and I support my mother also. !

So, every penny I make is well accounted for. I need to keep all costs down where I can.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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